

The Delta Investment Fund

What is the Delta Investment Fund?

The Delta Investment Fund was created by the State Treasury as an account to receive federal, state, local and privately-sourced funds that can be used to pay for projects that **advance regional economic sustainability**. The Fund is administered by the Delta Protection Commission.

How long has it been in existence?

The Fund was originally proposed in 2008 and adopted in the Delta Reform Act of 2009. From the Public Resources Code, section 29778.5:

The Delta Investment Fund is hereby created in the State Treasury. Any funds within the Delta Investment Fund shall be available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the Commission for the implementation of the regional economic sustainability plan, developed pursuant to Section 29759, for the purposes of **enhancing Delta communities**. (Effective February 3, 2010.)

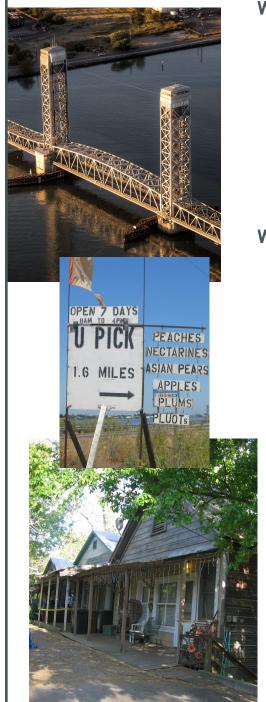
Where's the money?

No funds have yet been allocated to the Delta Investment Fund. Various water bonds being proposed may provide an opportunity for the State to invest in capital improvements to Delta Infrastructure.

How are the funds administered?

The Delta Protection Commission would distribute funds in a **fair and transparent** manner, adhering to guidelines and procedures that ensure compliance with the Fund's mission. Interested parties are encouraged to participate in the development of programs to focus funding on efforts that will have the **maximum positive impact** on Delta regional economic sustainability.





What does the Fund do?

The Delta Investment Fund would fund projects that fit the priorities of the 2010 Economic Sustainability Plan:

Infrastructure Improvements
Economic Development Assistance
Gap Funding
Support for Catalyst Projects
Marketing/Advertising Efforts

What kind of projects would be eligible?

Depending on the source of available funding, the Delta Investment Fund might support:

Enhancement of Delta agriculture, such as local processing of value-added products.

Recreation and Tourism development, including park facilities and agritourism.

Local planning for economic development

Grants or low-interest loans to allow private enterprise upgrades, such as wineries and marinas.

If general obligation bond funds are available, projects would be capital improvements such as:

Educational facilities Improvements

Emergency Preparedness and Response facilities Expansion and improvement of Port facilities, roads, bridges, trails and signs.

Building improvements, including historic and recreational facilities

Seismic and safety improvements and modernization of aging infrastructure.

For more information on the Delta Protection Act, the Delta Reform Act or the Delta Investment Fund, please contact the Delta Protection Commission.

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